

POLICE JOIN
THE STRIKERSSixty Per Cent of Force of
City of Warsaw

OPENLY LEAVE DUTIES

Fights Between Strikers and Troops Oc-
curred This Morning — Police-
men Fell Telephone
Poles.

Warsaw, Feb. 27.—Sixty per cent of the police force of Warsaw today went on a strike, openly joining with the striking workmen. Fights between strikers and troops occurred this morning. A force of strikers and rebel policemen paraded the suburbs this morning, falling telegraph poles.

BEGIN TO ARM.

Fourth Baltic Squadron Preparing to
Move East.

Kronstadt, Feb. 27.—The fourth Baltic squadron for the Far East, consisting of two battleships, six cruisers, four torpedo boat destroyers and two transports, with other vessels of lighter burden, will begin arming tomorrow for their voyage to eastern waters.

MASSACRED RUSSIANS.

Armenians Killed 42 Who Wouldn't Join
Revolutionary Movement.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—At Baku today armed Armenians invaded Melikoff's factory and massacred 42 Russian workmen who refused to participate in a revolutionary movement.

THIS GOVERNMENT
NOT APPROACHEDUnited States Not Asked to Interfere
in Japanese-Russian War by the
Former Government, So
Hasn't Acted.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The following official announcement regarding peace proposals was made by the state department this morning: "The Government of the United States has never received from the Japanese government any requests to lay propositions of peace before the Russian government, and of course has never in any manner, directly or indirectly, approached the Russian government on the subject."

JAPANESE ATTACK BEGINS.

Kurapatkin Reports That His Opponents
Have Opened Fire.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—General Kurapatkin reports that the Japanese have commenced cannonading the Russian positions at Goutoline and Canfaulin.

MURDER AT DANCE.

Girl Refused to Dance With Man—Re-
sult Was Fearful.

Mount Pleasant, Pa., Feb. 27.—Anna Onaffrey was the central figure in a bloody battle at the Stricker works of the Veteran Coal company Saturday night, in which two men were killed and six others were stabbed, shot or slashed with knives. The dead: John Kophas, Jr., 24 years old, leaves a wife.

Michael Leshow, 30 years old, leaves a wife and two children.

Of the wounded, Tom Pollak may die.

Anna Onaffrey's refusal to dance with George Kulek, an unbidden guest at a wedding celebration started a riot, which converted the company house, where the dance was being held, into a slaughter house. Large quantities of beer and whiskey have been provided for the entertainment of the guests by the groom.

There was scarcely one of the participants who had not been at least slightly wounded, and many were too severely injured to escape if they had tried. Twenty-seven arrests were made. Seven of the prisoners are charged with murder, and twenty are held as witnesses.

DEATH OF PROMINENT MAN.

Ex-Gov. Boutwell of Massachusetts Died
This Morning.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 27.—Former Governor George S. Boutwell died this morning at 7:30 o'clock. He had been ill with pneumonia for the last few days. He was conscious until very near the end and bade farewell cheerfully and tranquilly to his weeping relatives. Gathered around his bedside when the end came, were his son Francis Marion Boutwell, and his wife, and Miss Georgianna Boutwell, the devoted daughter of the dead man, who has lived with him all her life.

The dying man suffered great difficulty in breathing and was very weak, but otherwise felt little pain. He could not speak above a whisper, but he smiled at the loved ones around him, bade them all farewell and then quietly sank into a sleep from which he did not wake. He was 87 years old.

THE LICENSE ISSUE.

"How to Build up the Saloon Business."

[Communicated.]

At a meeting of the State Liquor Dealers of Ohio at Wirthwein's Hall, Columbus, O., one of the delegates in the course of a speech on "How to Build Up the Saloon Business," gave the following suggestions:

The success of our business is dependent largely upon the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created, our counters will be empty as well as our coffers.

The open field for the creation of appetite is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed they rarely ever change in this regard. It will be needless, therefore, that the boys, and make the suggestion, gentlemen, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the appetite has been created. Above all things create appetite.

And so we learn from those who are in the business the real nature of the traffic we are asked to legalize by voting "Yes" next month. It is bad enough that the "old toppers" patronize the saloons, but the worst feature is the creation of a new generation of drunkards from among the boys.

TREMENDOUS LOSS
IN NEW ORLEANSFire Involving Millions of Dollars Swept
the Stuyvesant Docks Last Night,
Destroying Big Amount
of Cotton.

New Orleans, Feb. 27.—Fire involving millions of dollars loss in property swept the river front last night and wiped out the vast freight terminal of the Illinois Central, known as the Stuyvesant docks. Nearly a dozen squares of modern wharves and freight sheds, two great grain elevators, hundreds of loaded cars and vast quantities of freight, including 20,000 bales of cotton, were destroyed, together with a large number of small residences.

The Stuyvesant docks extend from Louisiana avenue almost to Napoleon avenue, a distance of twelve squares. The wharves between these two points were covered fifth miles of track, and steel and iron sheds ran the whole distance. The two grain elevators were of the most modern construction, the upper one having a capacity of a million bushels. Thousands of bales of cotton, several hundred thousand packages of sugar, great quantities of cottonseed oil and oil cake, lumber and every conceivable variety of freight filled the warehouses and sheds. Practically all the export business handled by the Illinois Central was put aboard ships at these docks.

HURT IN WRECK.

George Greene of Rutland Buried Under
Wrecked Caboose.

Rutland, Feb. 27.—George Greene of this city, a conductor on an extra north bound freight, was seriously hurt about 10:45 last night in a freight wreck at East Clarendon. His train broke in two and when the engineer discovered it, he slowed down the front section of the train. The wild portion of the train was under great headway and struck with such force that the caboose at the rear end was overturned. Greene was crushed underneath it.

MILES STANDISH VERY ILL.

Montpelier Young Man Was Operated
on For Appendicitis.

Montpelier, Feb. 27.—Miles Standish, who has been ill with appendicitis, grew rapidly worse Saturday night and was hastily removed to the Heaton hospital, where an operation was performed at once. It was supposed that he was suffering with only a mild attack of appendicitis. The surgeons found that not only did he have appendicitis, but that there was an abscess on his side. He is resting comfortably and hopes are entertained for his recovery. W. O. Standish, his father, is also quite ill, and Mrs. Standish, who was visiting in New York, was summoned. She arrived this morning.

HOLY SEE A DEFENDANT.

Suit Brought for Restitution of Prop-
erty of Royalty.

Rome, Feb. 27.—The Holy See has become defendant in a suit brought by the family of Count Falconieri for the restitution of certain loaned property, valued at three million francs. Judicial officials proceeded to the Vatican today to serve summons in the case on Cardinal Merry del Val, papal secretary of state. They were prevented from entering by Swiss guards.

NO DIVORCE YET.

Jury Disagreed in Suit Against Daniel
Brady.

New York, Feb. 27.—A disagreement was reported this morning in the trial of the suit for absolute divorce brought by Mrs. Daniel Brady against her husband, Daniel Brady, a railway supply and brass manufacturer. Mrs. Brady named Miss Gertrude Mackenzie, comedienne actress, as co-respondent and some of the testimony given in the trial was spicy.

Extraordinary Precautions.

Rome, Feb. 27.—In consequence of the threatened railway strike the government is taking extraordinary precautions. The garrisons have been augmented in all large towns and night express service has been suspended. Socialist journals are urging a universal strike.

IMPEACHMENT
FALLS FLATJudge Swayne Declared Not
Guilty

OF ANY OF THE CHARGES

Senate This Morning Acquitted Federal
Officer, and Then Closed Its
Session as Impeachment
Court.

Washington, Feb. 27. The Senate at ten o'clock this morning began voting on the Swayne impeachment case. On article one, which charges Judge Swayne with wrongfully collecting expenses for holding court at Waco, Texas, the Senate adjudged him not guilty, by a vote of 49 to 38. A similar verdict was rendered on articles two and three.

On the other articles charging unlawful free use of private car and transportation, non residence in his district, unlawful imposition of fine and imprisonment for contempt of court upon Attorney Davis, Attorney Bolden, and W. C. O'Neil, the Senate voted not guilty. Swayne acquitted and the Senate as a court of impeachment adjourned sine die.

It is understood that Judge Swayne will without delay, send his resignation to the president.

CONSUL GENERAL AT PANAMA.

Joseph W. J. Lee of Maryland Appointed
Today.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The President today nominated Joseph W. J. Lee of Maryland to be consul general at Panama.

OLD IN YEARS, BUT
YOUNG IN FEELINGBarre's Oldest Resident, Sarah P. Ayers,
Was 96 Years of Age Yesterday
and Is Still
Chipper.

Mrs. Sarah P. Ayers, undoubtedly the oldest person in this city, was 96 years of age yesterday, Feb. 26, and is celebrating her birthday today, by giving a reception to her friends at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Perry.

Mrs. Ayers is as bright and as able to take pleasure in life as many people years younger. When seen this morning by a Times' reporter she told the story of her life in a very entertaining manner. She is a great reader and is acquainted with all the topics of the day. She is able to be about every day, works about the house, sews, and takes her meals as if she were 66 instead of 96. She keeps, and has kept all her life, a diary, which contains multitudes of interesting facts.

Mrs. Ayers was born in Acworth, N. H., Feb. 25, 1809. She moved to Vermont when she was 19 years of age. She lived in Plainfield until she was 56 years old, marrying George Ayers of that place, and removing with her husband and two daughters to this place 40 years ago. She lived until the death of Mr. Ayers, in the house just north of where King's jewelry store is now located, which was burned a few years since while occupied by O. H. Hale's auction rooms.

After the death of her husband Mrs. Ayers resided at that place but a few years, going to live at what is now known as the Will Page place on Prospect street. For the last 17 years she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. William A. Perry. Her only other child, Mrs. Durfee, of Silver street, died three years ago.

Mrs. Ayers is receiving the congratulations of many of her friends this afternoon and the hope is expressed by everyone that she may live to celebrate many more birthdays.

WAS GREAT SUCCESS.

The Mid-Winter Carnival Held At Gran-
iteville Last Week.

Graniteville, Feb. 27.—The Mid-Winter Carnival held at Miles' hall, February 22, 23, 24, under the auspices of the Baseball and Degree club M. W. of A., was a grand success, both financially and socially, for the young men expect to make about \$200. The hall was decorated by C. C. Perkins and the several booths by Allen Palmer and John A. Melver were very well done. The young men of the club are to be congratulated on their first successful fair and for their intelligence in working for the same.

On Wednesday evening a first class entertainment was given under the direction of Prof. Corliss, after which dancing was enjoyed until 1 o'clock.

The exhibition drill given by the degree team on Thursday and Friday evenings was very good. A first class supper was served Wednesday and Thursday evenings under the direction of Mrs. William McDonald. The contest for the gold watch and chain between Miss Maud Pirie and Miss Maggie Fraser was won by Miss Pirie by a very small margin.

The following articles were won by the lucky ones: Sideboard by A. K. Nye of Barre, lamp by Alexander Fraser, oak chair by Paul Isabel, meerschaum pipe by Willie T. Maiden of Barre and the cake by Miss G. M. Nerney, who guessed the correct weight.

M'CLUSKEY
RIPPED 'EM UPRussian Quarryman Thought
He Was After a Jap.

BUT 'TAS ONLY A HOUSE

The House Got the Worst of It and
McCluskey Admitted in Court That
He Had Made a False Start
— Gets a Fine.

Michael McCluskey, a Russian quarryman employed at the Barre White Granite Company's quarry, had a "fretful" to report when he appeared before A. C. Fay as justice this forenoon. McCluskey started in to break up housekeeping yesterday morning early, and his boarding mistress, Mrs. Haskins of Trow Hill, didn't like his way of doing it. So Deputy Sheriff H. J. Slayton was called at three o'clock to stop the proceedings. When the deputy arrived McCluskey had made a considerable progress toward winding up the affairs of the house. Two windows, a table or so and a few miscellaneous chairs in a state of collapse, silently testified to his ability as a breaker-up of house keeping. When the word was given to stop McCluskey stopped. He then went along with the officer.

After a Sunday to think it over, the Russian admitted that he didn't go about the game right, and paid \$14.30. The windows, tables and chairs will be charged up as incidentals. Grand Juror C. N. Barber prosecuted. It was hinted that the Japanese might be able to stand a little surplus energy, but McCluskey will take it out on Barre granite instead.

ON CHARGE OF LARCENY.

Two Barre Boys Charged With Taking
\$30 From T. J. Mercer.

On the charge of larceny of \$30 from Thomas J. Mercer, Roy Smith and George Alexander, were arrested Saturday night, the former being taken by a Montpelier officer when he was leaving an electric car which had just reached there from this city. Smith wanted to know what he was arrested for, and when told, insisted that he was innocent. He was held at Montpelier for the Barre police and this morning was brought to Barre. He will be tried tomorrow. Bail was fixed at \$300. Alexander waived examination. Mr. Mercer lost \$30 during the performance of "A Hero in Khaki" at the opera house.

TRIAL ON TODAY.

Wallace Cover, Who Is Charged With
Keeping House of Ill Fame.

Wallace Cover is in city court today to answer to the charge of keeping a house of ill fame. He has already said that he is not guilty, but the state is endeavoring to show that he is guilty. Cover was arrested last week at a home on West street, where he was found by the police in company with two women, one of whom, according to the police, might have been more warmly clad than she was. Cover is defended by M. M. Gordon and E. L. Scott. The first witness put on by the prosecution was Officer Frank Hamel, who made the unannounced call.

The jury in the case is as follows: K. W. Morse, A. C. Averill, R. T. Gordon, F. F. Cutler, E. T. Arey and Robert Barclay.

WHICH? YES OR NO?

[Communicated.]

Yes, my friends, we admit that you have the right to vote yes or vote no at the coming election, and no one has the right to call your vote in question; you can vote for principal, or vote for split, and it is simply a question of exercising your right. But honestly, between us, should not the best interests of the city be considered, should not your own best interests be considered, your own accommodations for the coming year, instead of the momentary impulse to rip things up, just to gratify the dissatisfied whim of the moment, and regret your folly for a year to come.

Yes, we know that you believe in license, yes! We know there was only about a hundred in this city who placed themselves on record as prohibitionists last September, we expect them to respect their opinions, although we cannot agree with them, but above all we admire their consistency—they practice what they preach. Now be candid, be honest with yourselves; why should you be less manly in maintaining your principles than our prohibition friends? Why should you stultify yourselves in your avowed principles, by voting for what you do not believe in. There is nothing to be gained, and a great deal of conscious self-respect to be lost thereby. You can stand up before the world and proclaim your consistency, or the reverse. We admit that our commissioners have made mistakes and some blunders; but time will remedy these defects. The law was new and the commissioners were new, but the law and the conditions, even the worst phases of it, are superior to the beastly broths of prohibition.

Now, my friends, honestly, do you think the financial, the commercial and social conditions of our city will be better or worse with prohibition? How many trains will come from the hill

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JOHN R. SPENCE.

Well Known and Popular Barre Citizen
Died This Forenoon.

John R. Spence, a well known citizen of Barre, died at eleven o'clock this forenoon at his home on Warren street. Consumption was the cause of death. Mr. Spence had been a sufferer with the disease for several years, but had been able to continue his work as stonecutter until two years ago, when he was forced to give up his place at the plant of Mutch & Calder, where he had been employed for some time. He gradually failed until the end came quietly this forenoon. About an hour before his death Mr. Spence wrote a letter to his mother in Scotland, bidding her "Good-bye."

He was born in Peterhead, Scotland, 29 years ago, and had lived in Barre about 18 years. Mr. Spence leaves a wife (formerly Miss Lecky Cole) and little three years old daughter, besides three brothers, two sisters, and his father and mother in Scotland. The funeral will be held in the Presbyterian church, Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

The deceased was a member of, and very enthusiastic in, several of the orders of the city. He was a past president of the Barre Burns Club, vice president of the Glenugie Club, and up to last election senior deacon of Granite Lodge, Masons. He was also a member of Barre Branch, Stonecutters' union.

LORENZO D. BLANCHARD.

One of Barre's Old Residents Died Yesterday
Afternoon.

Lorenzo D. Blanchard died yesterday afternoon, after a three weeks' illness with pneumonia, at his home on the East Hill in the town of Barre. He was born in Hinsdale, N. H., and had lived until the twentieth of March he would have been 75 years of age. Mr. Blanchard came to Barre when he had attained his majority and learned the trade of carpenter. After engaging in that work for some time he became one of the proprietors of the old fork factory on South Main street, and for about thirty years was connected with that company. Fifteen years ago he removed to the Gale farm, where he died.

The deceased is survived by his wife, who was Nellie Cole, one daughter, Gless, and one son, Neal; also a brother, Winslow, of Montpelier, and two sisters, Orrissa Blanchard of Montpelier, and Mrs. O. N. Kenerson of Beachmont, Mass. The funeral will be held from the house Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The Rev. R. F. Lowe will officiate and the interment will be in Elmwood cemetery.

REUBEN A. DREW.

Barre Man, Aged 60 Years, Died Sat-
urday Night.

Reuben A. Drew, aged 60 years, died a few minutes before 12 o'clock Saturday night at his rooms in the Buzzell block of cystitis. He had been in ill health for the past two years and in the last two weeks had failed rapidly. He had been a resident of this city for the past sixteen years. He was in the grocery business for several years in Boston and Chelsea, Mass., before coming to this city. He leaves besides his wife and two young sons Arno I. and Dana F., six brothers, Albus, of Ways Mills, P. Q., Edward, of Burlington, David, of Nashua, N. H., George and Charles, of Athol, Mass., and John, of New York. The funeral will be held from the rooms in the Buzzell block Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. F. A. Poole will officiate.

JOS. LAVELLE'S FUNERAL.

Held This Forenoon—A Large Number
in Attendance.

The funeral services of the late Joseph Lavelle were held from St. Monica's church at nine o'clock, the Rev. Father Gray officiating. It was attended by a large number of people, including a delegation from the Montpelier C. O. F. The pall bearers were A. L. Gravelin, E. J. Owens, Dennis Cliney, Martin McMahon of Barre, Orvil Pierce and J. J. Glenn of Montpelier. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, being as follows:

Pillow, C. O. F. of Montpelier; cross, Phil Sheridan court of Richmond; cross, R. C. L. P. A.; anchor, employees at Smith Bros.' market, roses, carnations and tulips, Mr. and Mrs. Donlan; carnations and roses, Mrs. C. Cassen, Miss M. Counts, M. M. Bottonell, Miss R. Cook; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brodie; Burlington; carnations and roses, T. D. Kennedy; roses, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Churchill and Miss Pearl; 37 carnations, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Carroll and Mr. Murphy; violets, Miss Foley; hyacinths and carnations, Miss Reilly and Mrs. Glynn; carnations, Miss Elsie Owen; hyacinths, Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Owens; hyacinths and tulips, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Demers; bouquet, Miss Grace McSorley; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. McKenna; carnations and roses, with out name; carnations, Mrs. J. B. Sullivan; carnations, without name; tulips, carnations and roses, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald; carnations and roses, Mrs. W. A. Murray; roses and calla lilies, J. W. Vaughan; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kelly and family; tulips, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Orway; carnations and hyacinths, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gillespie; carnations, Cheeser and Bird's employees; carnations, Mrs. F. E. Gladding and Mrs. George Lucia; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Green; set piece from the neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. George Angus, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Chester; Mr. and Mrs. William McDonald.

Looking Up Evidence.

Montpelier, Feb. 27.—Post Office Inspector Epp was in Montpelier today, looking up evidence in the Middlesex mail robbery.

FIRST TALK
TO HIS PEOPLEThe Rev. Charles E. Freeman,
Episcopal Rector,

HAS BEGUN HIS DUTIES.

Addresses Good-Sized Congregations at
the Church of the Good Shepherd
Yesterday, Morning and
Evening.

At the Church of the Good Shepherd yesterday morning, the Rev. Charles E. Freeman, who for the past twelve and one half years has been chaplain of the St. Luke Hospital in New York city, and who has given up his work there to accept the position of rector of the Episcopal church here, preached his first sermon to a congregation which filled the church.

His sermon was, in fact, a confidential talk to the members of the church on what is expected of them in the work of uplifting and enlarging their church, and also he most forcefully explained the necessity of working in harmony with their rector, whose work for good among them would otherwise be in vain. The sermon was listened to with a great deal of interest and there were many expressions of a pleasant nature for the speaker afterwards.

In beginning his remarks he said: As I stand here before you this morning and look into your faces for the first time, I feel a deep sense of responsibility. We are about to enter into devotional relations with each other. Relations like no other than the Great Shepherd and his sheep.

How important is the work of the church. It stands for all that is purest and best in life; it stands for all the hope we have in the life to come. We are to feel that the church is as a candle stick and each member of the church should hold that candle so that it may shine its brightest. You must not feel that it only your duty to go to church, but you must enter into the spirit of the purpose of the church. I want you to feel the same responsibility toward the church as you would if employed in a bank, store, school or business of any kind. I want you to feel that your work is the same as Christ's. The greater part of the work of this parish is among men. We are joined in one purpose, the uplifting of the church. The moment we begin to be satisfied growth ceases and the work of the church deteriorates. If you know of some one who does not attend church, get him to come with you. Each one of you must know of someone who does not go to church regularly. Get them to come with you and soon this church edifice will have to be enlarged. I ask you to pray for your church morning, noon and night. I ask you in all seriousness to pray for your parish priest. I ask that you will not think so much of the things he does or does not do, but more of the purpose, for his work is what you make it.

In concluding he said: I have come to help you in seeking after God. I want to be one among you. Ask me to come to you when you are sick or in trouble. Let me be a priest unto you. I would that my relations with you be not formal, and that our whole work be centered in the one purpose. We are in communion with Christ only when we come to his altars. There he awaits us and gives us life.

PRESENT FROM EMPLOYEES.

Wm. Alexander Receives Fine Meer-
schaum Pipe as Token of Their
Respect and Esteem.

A deputation of four men, representing the cutters, toolsharpeners, polishers and lumpers employed by Bugbee & Alexander, visited Wm. Alexander, the junior member of the firm, at his home on Patterson street Saturday evening, and presented him a fine meerschaum pipe, as a slight testimonial of their respect and esteem for their employer, who in becoming the secretary of the National Association of Granite Manufacturers, will in the future make Boston his headquarters.

Mr. Alexander was very much pleased with the gift, and the spirit which prompted it.

TROUBLE SETTLED.

Strikers in Colton Manufacturing Co.'s
Shop Go Back to Work.

Montpelier, Feb. 27.—The strike in the shop of the Colton Manufacturing company was satisfactorily adjusted, and the 75 men resumed work this morning, after being out one day. This includes the nine young men who went out the first of the week, after being refused a raise in wages. The wages were settled to the satisfaction of the men. Mayor Corry is one of the owners in the plant.

FRED HANNON'S FUNERAL.

Held This Forenoon from St. Monica's
Church.

The funeral of Fred Hannon, who died Friday night, was held this morning from St. Monica's church. The Rev. Father Connolly of Montpelier officiated. There was a large attendance and many beautiful flowers. The pall bearers were John Enslie, Ezra White, Alex. Enslie, Charles Gallagher, Edward Anderson, and Frank McQuade. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery.